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Signed: Jerome Mc Collom  
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Signed: William K. Baran  
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Signed: Richard Wojtowicz  
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Signed: Norman Pfeiffer  
E-Mail: Normcp@aol.com

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Signed: Sandra Sheldon  
E-Mail: ss.sheldon@MCI2000.com

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Signed: Timothy F. Buntel  
E-Mail: tbuntel@aol.com

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Dear Commissioner Ness,

Please help our campaigns to run smoothly and the politicians to focus on the issues of our country by making sure that each candidate has free air time.

Let's take a pro-active approach in meeting the needs of our country. Let's help to give our politicians a fighting chance at actually create good for our country us as a whole.

We need your help to heal america.

Sincerest regards,

Christine H. Scott

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Signed: Christine H. Scott  
E-Mail: scot0163@tc.umn.edu



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Signed: Melissa Bicheler  
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Signed: Rev. Matthew T. Alexander  
E-Mail: drooper@cris.com

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